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DETAILS OF AMENDMENTS

Please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

**Amend** claim 4 to read as follows:

4. (TWICE AMENDED) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:
- a first substrate and a second substrate at least one of which is transparent;
  - a liquid crystal layer interposed between the first and second substrates, the layer being made of a nematic liquid crystal material having a positive dielectric anisotropy;
  - a first electrode and a second electrode provided on the first and second substrates, respectively, for applying an electric field substantially vertical to the first and second substrates across the liquid crystal layer;
  - a first polarizing plate and a second polarizing plate each provided on an outer side of respective one of the first and second substrates, the first and second polarizing plates being arranged in a crossed Nicols arrangements; and
  - a first phase difference compensator provided between the first polarizing plate and the first substrate, and a second phase difference compensator provided between the second polarizing plate and the second substrate, wherein the having two phase-delay axes of the first and second phase difference compensators are parallel to each other and perpendicular to a phase-delay axis of the liquid crystal layer, wherein:

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the liquid crystal layer in each pixel region includes at least a first domain and a second domain in which liquid crystal molecules are oriented in different orientations; and, whereby

the first and second phase difference compensators compensates for the refractive index anisotropy of the liquid crystal molecules in a substantially horizontal orientation with respect to the surfaces of the first and second substrates in the absence of the applied voltage.